GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Impact of Climate Change
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study to assess the adverse impact of climate change on the lives and livelihood of people staying in tribal areas;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government has taken mitigation measures to cope with the adverse impact of climate change particularly in the said areas; and
(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
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(a) and (b): The Climate Change is a global phenomenon and will impact all sections of the society. A report titled "Climate Change and India: A 4X4 Assessment - A Sectoral and Regional Analysis for 2030s" of this Ministry provides assessment of impacts of climate change in 2030 on four key sectors of Indian economy, namely, agriculture, water, forests and human health in four climate sensitive regions of India, namely, the Himalayan region, the Western Ghats, the Coastal region and the North-Eastern Region. Some of these areas are inhabited by tribal communities.

(c) and (d): Recognizing the challenge of Climate Change, the Government is implementing National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) which has eight missions in specific areas of solar energy, energy efficiency, water, agriculture, Himalayan eco-system, sustainable habitat, green India and strategic knowledge on climate change. Three of these Missions namely the Missions on solar energy, enhanced energy efficiency and sustainable habitats focus on mitigation, while the rest are focused on adaptation. Thirty two States/Union Territories have prepared State Action Plan on Climate Change (SAPCC) consistent with objectives of NAPCC and taking in to account State's specific issues relating to climate change. The SAPCCs prepared by States/ UTs inter-alia indicate sector specific and cross sectoral priority action and focus on adaptation of vulnerable areas in their respective jurisdictions.
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